

freely. I found it there September 23, 1913, well scattered along the thickety slope of a little valley among the hills in Tisbury south of Tashmoo Pond. Excellent specimens were collected, some of which have been sent to the herbarium of the New England Botanical Club.—EUGENE P. BICKNELL, New York City.

CONCERNING *PHILADELPHUS PLATYPHYLLUS* RYDB.—In the North American Flora, in his monograph of the Hydrangeaceae, Rydberg recognizes several segregates of *Philadelphus Lewisii* Pursh, some of which I identify with that species as synonyms. Among those which I examined was *P. platyphyllus* Rydb. from California. This seems to constitute a rather marked variety, distinguished by its broadly ovate to oval, sometimes nearly rotund leaves. The leaves of the type are exceedingly variable in size and shape, but rarely as broad as in the variety, and never subrotund, generally much smaller. (Extremes: Length 2.4–8.6 cm., breadth 1.3–5 cm.) The leaves of the variety are pretty uniform, mature ones varying from 4–7.5 cm. in length by 2.6–5 cm. in breadth. They are of a pale cast beneath, the outside pair of the five primary veins most often appearing faint. In the type the leaves are greener beneath, with 3 (in broad leaves 5) primary veins.

PHILADELPHUS LEWISII Pursh var. ***platyphyllus*** (Rydb.) A. H. Moore, n. comb.

P. platyphyllus Rydb. N. Am. Fl. xxii, 167 (Dec. 18, 1905).—ALBERT HANFORD MOORE, Washington, D. C.

ORONTIUM AT HYANNIS, MASSACHUSETTS.—Mr. John Murdoch, Jr., in RHODORA, XVI, 18, mentions the occurrence of *Orontium aquaticum* in Middleboro, Truro and Provincetown. I am glad to record its occurrence at Hyannis, where I first found it in August, 1905, and have observed it several times since. This station lies in a wet dune-hollow or small kettle-hole, very near the road which leads southeast from the village to the shore cottages. When I first found it there were only a few bent-over spadices with ripened fruit, but in June, 1909, I was fortunate enough to see the plant in full bloom. I have never seen *Orontium* growing elsewhere, and there are not over 25 plants at this station.—CLARENCE H. KNOWLTON, Hingham, Massachusetts.